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A CANADIAN SPORT**

That Is Rather Unsportsmanlike, But Is Said to be Very Exciting.

Wedding Announcement.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., April 16.—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burruss have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Roberta B. Burruss, to Mr. M. Novell Anderson, of Richmond. The ceremony will take place at the First Baptist Church on Wednesday evening, April 27th, at 4:45 o'clock. The couple will be at home in Richmond after May 1st.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. E. Campbell, of Milford, to Miss Bessie Smith, daughter of Mr. A. G. Smith, of Caroline county, the ceremony to take place at County Line Baptist Church at noon on Tuesday, April 26th.

THE KING'S SILK HAT.

Of Exclusive Design and to be Seen Only on Edward's Head.

Before leaving England the King gave an order for about a score or different kinds of hats and caps, to be prepared for his Majesty's use during the forthcoming tour.

"Silks," proponterated, although almost every variety of head covering was comprehended in the order, from a soft iron colored "Australian" to a motor cap with a spherical crown provided with a ventilating arrangement which, if not actually designed by his Majesty, was evolved under his personal direction.

The style of silk hat chosen this year by the King will be seen on none but the royal head. The hat will have a broader brim with a small accentuated curl, a down-crowned and a little more bell than the hats which even his Majesty's best dressed subjects will wear. The King is the possessor of what is known to hatters as "a good head." Those whom nature has not favored in this important particular may be interested to learn that his Majesty takes a 7 1/8.

Experience shows there is a distance beyond which the eye of the shooting pike does not carry. Within that distance the swiftness of vision and the agility of the fish are wonderful and also aggravating. But up to the edge of this dead angle one can safely go without disturbing the quiet.

Knowledge of that and swiftness in retrieving represent all that is in the least difficult in fish shooting. Some of the gunners take along carts and light wagons to convey the snout to where it can be sold, or otherwise disposed of, and this year, perhaps because of the exceedingly hard and long winter just ended, they are bringing in heavy loads of fine fish.

It is safe to say that hundreds of tons of large, coarse fish will be shot during the present fortnight, and it is said that their meat is never so fine and good as it is just at this season.

As the water rises and spreads into swamps and interlaces the jack hunters begin to get in the dark, and deadly work. The muskloose and pike seek these fresh shallows for the sake of the warmth of the water catches from the ground, and perhaps with an eye to occasional early frosts that may work its way out from itsibernating below the frost in the mud.

To the gullorm standing near the jack full of blazing oil cotton waste or fat pine knots the motionless shape of the fish is nearly revealed, and it is an easy thing to push a broad barbed spear into his back and drag it into the boat. It is contrary to law to take the fish in this way, but a prodigious number are speared in this province every spring, and it is not unusual to see twenty and thirty pound fish exposed for sale with the prongs of the spear prongs upon them.

Safe-Blowers at Work.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., April 16.—Safe-blowers last night entered the store

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**WILLIAM
AND MARY**

Move to Make the College a Part of the State School System.

TO ARRANGE THE TERMS

Plans on Foot to Improve the College Buildings and Establish Two New Chairs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILLIAMSBURG, Va., April 16.—The board of visitors of William and Mary College, which met here Thursday adjourned Friday morning, after a lengthy session. There were twelve members of the board in attendance, the largest meeting held in years.

A resolution was passed declaring it the opinion of the board that a transfer of the lands and endowment fund of the college to the State was to the mutual interest of the college and the State.

A committee was appointed to arrange the terms and conditions of the union. These terms will doubtless be that the college and endowment fund must be forever sacredly cared for by the Commonwealth, and the present appropriation maintained.

Along with this action the board took steps to put the college in the best possible condition, so as to invite a large attendance next session.

MUCH IMPROVED.

Since the first connection of the State with the college sixteen years ago, the institution has been immensely improved. Its grounds and endowment fund have been largely increased by the wise action of the board of visitors, under the act of March 5th, 1888. Thus the State will be a great gainer, and the college for its part will be relieved of the objections often raised against it as a private institution receiving State aid.

Practically the college is already a public institution, as it is not owned by any denomination or corporation of private persons. But there is no doubt that the college has been much embarrassed by these objections, and the board of visitors in taking measures to remove them are believed to be acting wisely.

GRAND ASSOCIATIONS.

The grand associations of the college will be continued and perpetuated on a broader plane than ever before. In intimate connection with the General Assembly, which two hundred years ago elected its first president and first board of visitors who were afterwards confirmed by a royal charter.

The board voted considerable sums of money for the improvement of all the buildings, and appointed a committee to inquire into and report to the next meeting of the board the name of a suitable person to fill the chair of philosophy and pedagogy, left vacant by the resignation of Professor Hugh S. Bird.

The work of development will be continued by the board at its next meeting in June, at which time the establishment of two professorships of biology and the manual arts will be considered.

**BUSTED BY BOUNTIES;
HEDGEHOG NUISANCE**

How a Town in Maine Goes Bankrupt and Comes to a Standstill.

A Bangor, Maine, special says: It isn't the Maine porcupine that is fretful, but the officials of towns in the eastern part of the State which have been obliged to borrow money with which to pay hedgehog or porcupine bounties and have not yet been reimbursed by the State. B. L. Smith, treasurer of the little town of Marion, in Washington county, says that his town is paying 5 per cent. interest on money borrowed to pay the bounties, and he wants the State to settle quickly or pay interest on overdue claims.

The town has reached its borrowing limit and the hedgehogs seem to know it, for Mr. Smith says so—they are coming up on the steps of the town hall and getting in a most tantalizing way at the officials. The town has school money in the State treasury, but can't get it until it has paid its State tax, and it can't pay the tax because all the money has gone to pay hedgehog bounties.

If any one wants to borrow a barrel or two of hedgehog ears and noses, Marion will close out its big stock cheap and throw in trading stamps and a vote of thanks. As the valuation of the town is only \$27,000, and the hedgehog population is worth pretty nearly that much, or would be if dead, it can be seen that there is a state of serious financial embarrassment unless the State of Maine loosens up for the entire main population, except such as are engaged in office, is hunting hedgehogs with great success.

The bounty law was passed in 1903. It gives 25 cents a head for all hedgehogs killed. An incorporation of \$700 a year for two years was made and was thought to be enough, but it appears that there are in Maine more hedgehogs than the legislators dreamed of, for already the claims amount to about \$25,000. Nearly 100,000 of the animals have been killed to date, and the slaughter is proceeding at a brisk rate. The law was passed on the plea of some Down East lumbermen that the hedgehogs ruined more timber than was ever destroyed by fire.

FUTURE EXPOSITIONS.

New Law Demanded That Shall Anticipate All Big Fairs to Come.

Congress is hardly through with the appropriations for the St. Louis Fair when the demand is made for the Lewis and Clark expedition to Portland, Oregon. The Lewis and Clark expedition was an important event.

Congress might as well face the question of these expositions now as later. If it is to be the policy of the government to make contributions almost annually to support these fairs, all well and good. Otherwise some fixed policy ought to be formulated.

It would be a mistake, perhaps, to stop all future contributions to these exhibitions, which certainly seem to develop manufacturers and industries as well as to stimulate trade. Primarily they benefit certain localities, however, and the government cannot simply give a local enterprise a lift, spend taxpayers' money constantly in support of exposition projects.

We are going to have a lot of anniversaries in the next twenty years. Even the 50th anniversary of the landing of

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Daisy Flour, \$5.25 barrel, or sack	33c
Large cans Table Peaches, each	12c
Large cans Tomatoes, each	7c
New Cut Herring, 3 dozen for	25c
New Roe Herrings, dozen	18c
New Lake Herring, or White Fish, pound	5c
Best Cream Cheese, pound	15c
Eggs, Butter, pound	25c
Medium New Mackerel, each	5c
Old New Mackerel, 3 for	25c
Large Oysters, 65c bushel, or peck	18c
Best Butcher's Lard, pound	11c
Silver Leaf Lard, in tins, per pound	10c
Good Lard, the pound, or three pounds for	25c
Good Pork, pound	7c
Genuine New Orleans Molasses, gallon	60c
Best Prunes, 6 pounds for	25c
Best Salt Pork, pound	10c
Malta Vita, package	11c
Quaker Oats, package	10c
Mother's Oats, package	8c
American Oats, package	8c
Old Keystone Ry. gallon	32.50
Old Excelsior Ry. gallon	32.00
Old Capitol Ry. gallon	31.50
Wilson Whiskey, bottle	\$1.00
Duffy's Malt Whiskey, bottle	80c
Pulcher Whiskey, bottle	\$1.00
Buchu Gin, for kidneys, bottle	90c
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The Pilgrims must be considered. If New England expects to have some celebration of that event and calls upon the national treasury for assistance, it will have to help the Jamestown scheme and the Port Royal scheme. Something will be done later to celebrate the founding of Boston, the Massachusetts Bay Colony, which has

proved the most important of any of the colonies of the 17th century.

We have a vast number of celebrations ahead of us and we shall have to appoint a special commission or court to determine which shall be celebrated and which shall receive government support.

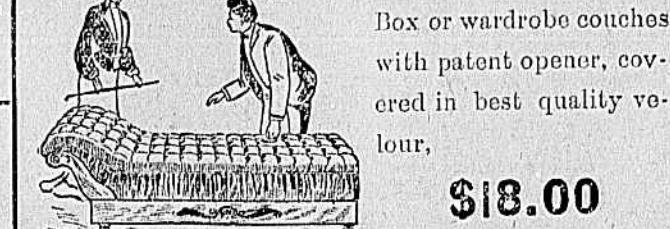
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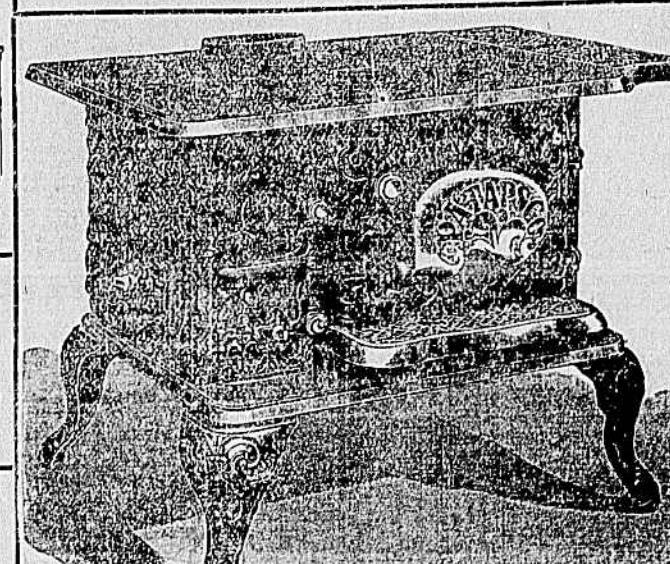
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